

A SERIOUS DRAWBACK

To Business is the bad Service on the Electric Railway.

THE BUSINESS MEN ARE KICKING

Because it Affects their Trade, and the Workmen because many of them have to Walk to their Work. An Improvement Some Day.

On Saturday again the power was off the electric street car line several times during the day, one hour at one time, a half hour at another time, and also for several shorter periods. To say that there is much dissatisfaction with the present system, or want of system, is putting it very mildly. The kicking is not confined to a few, and all classes and all walks of life are having their little say. The trip from Bellaire to the McJannet House will occupy an hour and a half easily.

During the last few days mule power has been the operating agency on the Benwood extension, and frequent stalling on the heavy grades at that end of the line served to make the trip up or down a long drawn-out torture.

The men employed at the Benwood mills daily make up their minds to be prepared to walk part or all of the trip if they want to get to work at the proper time, and are not murmuring, but are talking loudly about the inconvenience, delay and annoyance they are compelled to endure.

It is just to state that the management of the street car company claims to be doing its best to accommodate the public, but even it does not know how long it will be until an adequate number of cars can be run, as the machinery at the power house is liable to weaken at any moment and necessitate the removal to the barn of one or several cars.

Saturday night the delay was particularly provoking. A crowded car almost invariably stalled on some of the grades, the current twenty-seventh and Chapline being especially difficult to get around.

The merchants, particularly, are noticing the unsatisfactory transit facilities by reason of the falling off in the Bellaire and Martin's Ferry trade. "Why," one of them said to an *Intelligencer* reporter yesterday, "our trade with Bellaire used to be quite an item in our daily sales. Many a package have we sent to that town when the street car service was reasonably expeditious, and invariably, when the service becomes less so, do we remark a corresponding falling off in the amount of our sales."

How long the present state of affairs will last, nobody seems able to say. Work at the power house is going on, it is said, day and night, and it is reasonable to suppose that some time, if not soon, an improved condition will result. The pole trolleys were put in operation on the Benwood extension for the first time on Saturday, and were very successful. It is possible that the North Wheeling end may be fitted up in the same manner, if the results on that end of the line already so prepared continue to prove themselves practical.

When the electric railway began operations there was an immediate and perceptible advantage to Wheeling tradesmen, and with every increase of facility there was an improvement in trade. The present failure is for this reason all the more annoying, and any betterment will be hailed with pleasure, not only by the trades people, but as well by their patrons at a distance who avail themselves of the line to reach Wheeling markets and shops.

RESULT OF SLEEP WALKING.

A South Side Seaman's Fall and Breaks His Arm.

Last night shortly after midnight August Scherer, an employee of J. G. Hoffmann & Son's tannery, met with a serious accident at his residence, No. 36 Twenty-sixth street. Scherer is addicted to walking in his sleep. Last night he got up while in a sound sleep and walking out of the second story window, fell to the ground. He alighted on his arm in such a way as to break it. He was of course awakened by the fall, and called help. He was assisted into the house and a physician summoned to set his arm.

Ohio County Institute.

The County Teachers' Institute which was in progress at West Liberty last week adjourned Friday with the institute examination. The attendance was larger than for some years, about seventy being present, and the session was a very interesting and profitable one. The instruction was given by Prof. Armstrong of the Normal school, aided by Superintendent Wiedman and Mr. Lazear, principal of the Elm Grove school. Twenty teachers announced their intention of applying for first class certificates at the first examination under the new law. Superintendent Wiedman, Miss Rebecca Wilson and Mr. Harmon Lazear, compose the board of examiners.

The G. A. R. Off for Detroit.

The G. A. R. excursion left for Detroit yesterday at 10:50 a. m. over the Terminal system, Union bridge and Wheeling & Lake Erie railroad. There were a good many old soldiers and others, but not so many as there would have been but for the fact that on Saturday it was announced that the excursion had been declared off. Later this was countermanded, but most too late to allow the change to be generally advertised. A good many others left for Detroit by the R. & O. and C. & W. roads. Still larger delegations will go to-morrow by the various routes.

The Grasshopper Plague.

Mr. Thomas Gilmer, of Rix's Mill, O., is writing to renew his subscription to the *WEEKLY INTELLIGENCER*, adds that the prospects for a big corn crop were never better than now, and oats and potatoes promise almost as well. There is one serious drawback—the grasshoppers. This pest is incredibly bad, and the myriad hoppers are injuring the oats badly and the potatoes to a less extent, while the meadows and pastures are badly injured.

Mr. Jordan Preached.

Last night the A. M. E. congregation held outdoor services on the State Fair grounds, and Rev. Mr. Jordan, the colored Sam Jones, known as "the Texas Cyclone," made one of his characteristic addresses. He has been preaching nightly for a week past on Fourteenth street near Market and the novelty of his style has considerably worn off. The attendance last evening was fairly large, however, of both white and colored people.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and about the City.

The County Commissioners meet today in regular session.

C. R. GORTZ has charge of the entries for bicycle races at the butchers' picnic. Two plain drunks were sent to the jail from Saturday afternoon's police court.

The employees of Wood Brothers' planing mill, numbering about thirty, had a private picnic yesterday.

FREDERICK SORG's last will and testament was admitted to probate and ordered to be recorded Saturday.

The contract to furnish hay and straw for the State Fair has been awarded to T. M. Kimmins, of Valley Grove, this county.

TUESDAY was an unusually large rush to the park yesterday, all the Elm Grove trains being crowded. The weather was perfect.

Auctioneer HERVEY on Saturday sold the Heiskell property, on Chapline street, just above Eleventh, to Dr. A. F. Stifel for \$12,275.

On August 22 the A. O. H. will give a picnic on the State Fair grounds, and bids fair to be one of the most successful ever known there.

The local union of flint glass workers has changed its meeting days to the first Sunday of each month only. It formerly met twice a month.

The Marshall County Teachers' Institute opens at Moundsville to-day and will close Friday with the first teachers' examination under the new law.

PAT HALPIN was again locked up last evening, the charge being drunkenness, and Officer Desmond having made the arrest. Herman Frederick was locked up by Donnelly for disorder.

A horse belonging to A. H. Nolte and attached to his wagon, ran away yesterday at the corner of Thirty-eighth street and went as far as Forty-first, when the driver succeeded in stopping him.

Judge JERSON on Saturday fined Sallie Mooney \$2 and costs for being drunk, and Henry Bergen, for disorder, \$5 and costs, and Nick Halpin and E. B. Ball, on the same charge, were dismissed.

The new Edison electric light company was incorporated by the secretary of state Saturday. The authorized capital stock is \$5,000, of which \$2,000 has been taken by twenty-six local subscribers.

The addition to the Wheeling hospital is nearing completion, the brick work being finished. The roof is now being put on. When complete the building will present quite a handsome appearance.

A union meeting of the Christian Endeavor societies of the city will be held in the Disciples church this evening, and after the exercises refreshments will be served by the ladies of the church.

A very enjoyable young people's meeting was held at the Disciples church at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Society. Responsive readings and music were the order of exercises.

The excavation for an addition to L. Swabacker's store, on Main street, caused the cave-in of the rear wall of Harbour & Dittman's store, adjoining, making a very nasty place and causing costly damages. Several hundred dollars worth of wall paper was ruined, besides the damage to the building.

SATURDAY morning fire broke out in the old lumber dry house on South street, now used by Baers as a lime warehouse, and though the department was promptly on hand the house was badly damaged and much lime destroyed. The loss was about \$200. The flames are attributed to spontaneous combustion.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

A. S. List is at Atlantic City.

Miss M. P. Harper and Miss Laura A. Few are at Atlantic City.

J. N. Vance and family are home from a tour of eastern summer resorts.

J. Garber and E. Camp, of Mannington, registered at the Stamm House yesterday.

Mrs. Henry Biebersen and daughter, Miss Emma, are visiting at Windsor, Canada.

H. R. Cottrill and M. L. Archer, of Parkersburg, registered at the Behler yesterday.

Hon. G. W. Atkinson left last night for the Magnetic Springs, Ohio, to join Mrs. Atkinson.

Mr. Dana Hubbard, formerly a Wheeling journalist, now of Chicago, is visiting Wheeling relatives.

W. H. Lyons, of Mannington, and Justus Eakin, of New Martinsville, registered at the Behler yesterday.

Rev. Father John McElligott, of the Cathedral, left yesterday evening on a visit to his sister at Bay City, Mich.

Mr. J. W. Plattenburg, editor of the Hancock County *Courier*, of New Cumberland, is making one of his periodical visits to the city.

Mr. Harry Boyd, the clever shipping clerk at the Riverside Tube Works, was last week made the happy father of a bouncing baby boy.

Prosecuting Attorney John A. Howard and bride returned from their honeymoon trip last night, and stopped at the Stamm House.

T. S. Riley has gone to Atlantic City, where the regents of the State Normal schools will meet to choose a principal for the Fairmont school.

Mr. John H. Boyd, of the South Side, who has been serving out a three years' enlistment in the United States army, has returned home. Mr. Boyd spent his three years out on the Western border. He reports the life of a soldier a grand thing for a young man. He may enlist again.

In the editorial correspondence of the *Pan Handle News*, of Wellsburg, printed last week, is the following personal paragraph: "On our return we had the pleasure of meeting a West Virginia friend, now a resident of St. Paul, Mr. Julia Black, nee Purris, the model wife of Mr. Hal Black. She is noted for taking an active part in every good work within her circle. Her estimable mother, Mrs. Purris, and their five-year-old daughter, Miss Hal, the pet of the household, with Mr. Black, are spending the summer months on the shores of the lake. Mr. Black is an excellent newspaper man. The evidence of this is the fact that he has held a position on the *St. Paul Globe* staff ever since it was established. He was on the *Wheeling Register* force for many years."

Excursion to Pittsburgh Via the B. & O. Railroad.

Special excursion to Pittsburgh to the great exhibition at Recreation park, Baltimore & Ohio Railroad will sell excursion tickets for all trains after 12 o'clock noon on August 4 and 8, at one fare for the round trip, which includes admission to the exhibition. Tickets good to return the following day, and when sold on Saturday good to return Monday.

THREE DAMAGE SUITS

Brought in the Circuit Court Clerk's Office Saturday.

TWO KINDS OF SLANDER ALLEGED.

A Pittsburgh Wire Company sues the Wheeling Electric Company—Damages for the Death of a Child. Slander Suit between Neighbors.

On Saturday the preliminary papers were filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in a suit by the J. C. Reebing Sons Company against the Wheeling Electric Company to recover damages for alleged business slander. It is understood that the suit originated out of a transaction in reference to wire for the new electric railroad across the Island and on the Ohio side. The Reebing Company, a Pittsburgh concern, expected to sell the wire to be used for conductors on these lines, but did not, the electric company preferring another wire.

W. H. Rodgers, administrator of the estate of Edna Rodgers, deceased, by his attorney, Col. Arnett, on Saturday entered suit in the circuit court against Beltz, Flading & Co., to recover \$5,000 damages for the killing of his child, Edna Rodgers, several weeks ago, by a horse belonging to the defendants.

Col. Arnett also filed the papers for a damage suit for slander, brought by John Manning against August Kemple. Both are residents of the South Side, and it is alleged that Kemple made remarks about Manning which were false and injurious.

THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Of the St. Alphonsus Society to be Celebrated To-Day—Line of March.

The outlook for a great celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the organization of the St. Alphonsus society is very favorable, should the weather to-day remain as fine as it has been during the last few days. The society will attend early mass at St. Alphonsus church, after which a parade will be held. The procession, headed by the Opera House band, and composed of the Knights of St. George, the St. Alphonsus society, the Young Men's Society of the St. Alphonsus congregation and the carriages containing Rt. Rev. Bishop Kain, Hon. C. W. Seabright and the clergy will form on Twentieth street and will move down Market to Twenty-second, up Twenty-second to Chapline, down Chapline to Twenty-seventh, down Twenty-seventh to Main, up Main to Twentieth, up Twentieth to Market, up Market to Seventeenth, up Seventeenth to Chapline, down Chapline to Eighteenth, up Eighteenth to Wood, up Wood to Sixteenth, down Sixteenth to Eoff, up Eoff to Twelfth, down Twelfth to Market, up Market to Tenth, and on the bridge to the Fair Grounds.

Addresses will be delivered by Rt. Rev. Bishop Kain, Mayor Seabright, Philip Voellinger, President of the society, C. R. Behler, ex-president, and the Fathers of St. Alphonsus church. The steamer Horace, with the barge Minnie, has been chartered to convey the people across to the grounds during the day. The Opera House Orchestra will furnish the music.

THE ATLANTIC CHANGES.

The Plans for the Remodeling of the Engine House Prepared.

Architect C. P. Hamilton has completed the plans for the proposed alterations of the Atlantic engine house. The changes will cost about \$500. The purpose to have the entrance on Eoff instead of Seventeenth street, has already been explained in the *INTELLIGENCER*. The plans show three sets of double doors, each nine feet six inches wide. Inside there are four spaces for vehicles, the engine standing opposite the south door, the hose wagon opposite the center door, and the north space is divided between the police patrol wagon and the chief's buggy. In the rear of these vehicles are six stalls, the two southern ones for the engine horses, next north for an extra horse, next for the hose wagon horse, and the north stall for the chief's horse. Each horse is thus immediately in the rear of the vehicle he is to draw, and when the gong strikes the animal has to only step forward his own length to be under the harness. These stalls project thirteen feet one inch east of the present line of the building, the additions being thirty-six feet long.

NOTES ON NAVIGATION.

Stage of Water and Movements of Boats. The River Interests.

The river was rising last night, with seven feet eight inches in the channel.

The reports from above were:

Morgantown—4 feet 6 inches and falling. Weather clear. Thermometer 80.

Brownsville—5 feet 1 inch and falling. Weather clear. Thermometer 70.

Warren—1 foot 10 inches and falling. Weather clear and pleasant.

The Ben Hur and the Lizzie Bay got away for Pittsburgh yesterday at an early hour. The Keystone State left in the morning on the same trip. The Batchelor passed down for Cincinnati, with a good trip. The Courier got away for Parkersburg at noon.

Mr. A. R. GRAHAM, of Pittsburgh, who is now in charge of the Parlor Music Store, 55 Twelfth street, during E. M. Gidding's absence, reports a fine business for the past few weeks. He has also secured the assistance of Mr. Att Alger, a former salesman for G. A. House. Mr. Alger is well known in Wheeling and on the Island, where he now resides. He is an excellent judge of instruments and will hereafter represent the finest line of goods in this country, consisting of the well known Knabe, Decker Bros., J. C. Fischer, and Sterling Pianos. The old reliable Estey, "Farand & Votey," and "Clough & Warren" Organs. If you are going to buy an instrument don't do it until you have seen our goods. Every instrument guaranteed.

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A COLORADO STORY.

The Wind up of a Dance at a Durango School House—Only Two Killed.

DUNRAGO, COL., Aug. 2.—At a ball in the blue mountains July 24 a terrible tragedy occurred which is seldom equaled in the history of crime. While the dancing was going merrily and all were enjoying it a tough character by the name of Tom Roach insisted upon dancing. He was drunk and armed with a knife and six shooter.

He was told that the sets were all full and was requested not to interfere with the persons already on the floor, but he declared that he would dance and took hold of a gentleman and attempted to remove him from the floor. This was resisted, and the parties became engaged in a scuffle, when a young man named Frank Hyde, a son of a merchant, William Hyde, attempted to quiet the disturbance. Roach, turning on Hyde, viciously stabbed him with a knife, inflicting dangerous wounds in several places. Roach left the room, but continued to act in a disorderly manner. A cowboy named Billy McCord, belonging to the "I. C.", outfit, tried to pacify Roach by going out where he was and talking to him.

This seemed to enrage him more than ever, and, drawing his gun, he killed McCord on the spot. By this time the excitement was intense, and as no one was armed the people were almost panic stricken. A boy slipped away to a house nearby and, securing a Winchester, returned to the school house. He took aim and fired, but missed Roach and killed Mrs. Walton, wife of Charles E. Walton, an estimable woman living in the community. By this time consternation had seized upon all and terror reigned supreme. In the excitement Roach left the place, since which time he has not been seen. The entire community is searching for him. Much sorrow is felt for the death of Mrs. Walton and McCord, both of whom were well known and respected.

IT WAS A FARCE.

Jimmie Carroll's Trial for Training a Prize Fighter.

St. PAUL, Aug. 2.—Jimmie Carroll, the trainer of Robert Fitzsimmons, it seems did not train Mr. Fitzsimmons after all—at least that is what a St. Paul jury decided at six o'clock last evening, after a trial which lasted all day. Carroll was charged with preparing Fitzsimmons July 22, and if convicted would have been sent to prison for three months. The testimony in places was ludicrous. The managing editors of the two morning newspapers testified that they did not know Fitzsimmons and Hall, and were not aware that they had designs to punch each other's head.

Fitzsimmons said he had been at White Bear Lake for several weeks for his health; that he was engaged in the blacksmithing business in Australia; that Jim Hall was a plasterer, and that Carroll's business was that of laying brick. Several preachers were called and asserted, with emphasis, that Carroll was putting Fitzsimmons in trim for an exhibition of brutal slugging in the ring, but the jury found that he was merely at White Bear Lake on a fishing excursion. It is stated that the case against Fitzsimmons and Barney Smith will be dismissed at once.

GREAT HORSES

Entered for the Great event of the Season at Garfield Park—A Big Purse.

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—The managers of the Garfield Park racing club have decided to make the \$10,000 purse, which will be run on Saturday, Aug. 22, an annual event and the race has been given the name of the "The Great Garfield Stakes."

Entries for the big race close Aug. 8. The following horses are probable starters: Tenny, Longstreet, Kingston, Eon, Dan Chief, Kingman, Proctor Knott, Marion C. Racine, Michael, Donatello. G. V. Hankins, one of the club's agents went east to-day to make further arrangements for the race, and he expects to return with the entries of most all the eastern cracks.

American Suit Club Co.

At the drawing of the American Suit Club Co. of Pittsburgh, on Saturday, J. J. Fagan, of the Western Union Telegraph Co., drew a suit, having put in but \$2. Lester Ehnman, an employee of Whitaker's mill, drew a suit, having put in but \$2. Wm. Crow, of the Belmont Blast furnace, put in \$1 and drew a suit.



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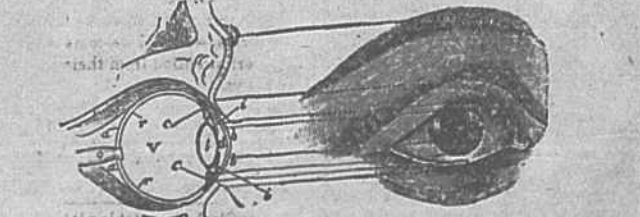
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